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Dear Commissioner:

Enclosed for filing please find a response to a non-final Office Action dated July 12, 2004. A shortened statutory period of three (3) months was set for response. A Petition for Extension of time for one month is also enclosed, along with a check in the amount of \$55 as payment for the one-month Extension Fee.

I hereby certify that this correspondence, the response, the Request for Extension, and the Extension Fee in the amount of \$55 are being deposited with the United States Post Office for Express Mail Delivery "to addressee" in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on October 29, 2004.

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This communication is a response to a non-final Office Action dated July 12, 2004 and provides amendments to the specification, drawings, and claims. The applicants herein submit that no new matter has been added as a result of the amendments made. Further, since a Petition to Make Special has been granted herein, the applicants respectfully request expedited review of this response.